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NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

James M. Johnson; Robert P. Kinross; Francis J. Melly; Douglas A. Momyer Inventor(s):

For (title): ELECTRONIC SOURCING SYSTEM

1. Type of Application

This transmittal is for a divisional application.

2. Benefit of Prior U.S. Applications (35 U.S.C. 119(e), 120, or 121)

The new application being transmitted claims the benefit of prior U.S. applications. Enclosed are ADDED PAGES FOR NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL WHERE BENEFIT OF PRIOR U.S. APPLICATIONS CLAIMED.

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A. Required for filing date under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) (Regular) or 37 C.F.R. 1.153 (Design) Application

49 Page(s) of Specification

32 Page(s) of Claims

5 Sheet(s) of Drawing(s)-Formal

B. Other Papers Enclosed

1 Page(s) of abstract

4. Additional Papers Enclosed

Preliminary Amendment

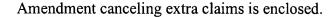
5. Declaration or Oath

Is not enclosed and will be forwarded at a later date.

6. Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. 1.16)

Regular Application

| CLAIMS AS FILED | | | | | |
|---|--------------|------------------------|--------------|----------|---|
| Claims | Number Filed | Basic Fee Allowance | Number Extra | Rate | Basic Fee 37 CFR 1.16(a) \$690.00 |
| Total Claims (37 CFR 1.16(c | 2)) 1 | - 20= | 0 x | \$18.00 | \$0.00 |
| Independent Claims (37 CFR 1.16(b | 1 | - 3 = | 0 x | \$78.00 | \$0.00 |
| Multiple Dependent Claim(s), if any (37 CFR 1.16(d) | | | + | \$260.00 | \$0.00 |



Filing Fee Calculation

\$600.00

7. Fee Payment Being Made at This Time

Enclosed

Filing Fee

\$690.00

Total Fees Enclosed

\$690.00

8. Method of Payment of Fees

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9. Authorization to Charge Additional Fees

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37 C.F.R. 1.16(b), (c) or (d) (presentation of extra claims)

37 C.F.R. 1.16(e) (surcharge for filing the basic filing fee and/or declaration on a date later than the filing date of the application)

37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1)-(5) (extension fees pursuant to § 1.136(a))

37 C.F.R. 1.17 (application processing fees)

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11. Relate Back

Amend the specification by inserting, before the first line, the following sentence:

A. 35 U.S.C. § 119(e)

"This application claims the benefit of U.S. Application No. 09/234,366 filed on January 20, 1999 which is a continuation of U.S. Serial No. 08/288577 filed on August 10, 1994, and now U.S. Patent No. 6,023,683."

12. Further Inventorship Statement Where Benefit of Prior Applications Claimed

a. This application discloses and claims only subject matter disclosed in the prior application whose particulars are set out above and the inventors in this application are the same.

13. NOTIFICATION IN PARENT APPLICATION OF THIS FILING

A notification of the filing of this divisional is being filed in the parent application, from which this application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120.

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